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STATE PASS EXIMBANK

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: BEXP, BMEP, BTIO, DR
SUBJECT: SALE OF MUNICIPAL BUSES

REF : A) SD 4449; B) STATE 242747

1. BOTH GENERAL MOTORS AND AMERICAN MOTORS HAVE DISCUSSED MUNICIPAL BUS OPPORTUNITY WITH SANTO DOMINGO MAYOR JUAN ESTRELLA. ESTRELLA, APPARENTLY SURPRISED BY THE HIGH PRICE OF STANDARD CITY BUSES (\$56 TO \$66 THOUSAND), HAS OPTED FOR THE SCHOOL-BUS TYPE (\$33 THOUSAND) FOR ALL BUT FIFTY OF THE 250 94 300 BUSES PLANNED FOR THE NEXT TWO YEARS; 35 WOULD BE BASIC FIRST-CLASS CITY BUSES AND THE REMAINING 15 WOULD BEHTN AIR-CONDITIONED SEMI-LUXURY VERSION. EMBASSY ESTIMATE OF TOTAL SALE VALUE IS ABOUT \$11 MILLION.

2. APPROXIMATELY 120 OF THE BUSES WOULD BE ORDERED EARLY IN 1975, ACCORDING TO ESTRELLA; 100 WOULD BE OF THE SCHOOL-BUS VARIETY, THE REST A COMBINATION OF THE MORE EXPENSIVE VEHICLES. (A PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION HAS BEEN NAMED TO RECOMMEND CHANGES IN THE URBAN TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM; ITS REPORT IS DUE IN JANUARY, 1975, AND MAY PROVIDE A MORE EXACT INDICATION OF FUTURE GOVERNMENT POLICY IN THIS AREA.)

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3. EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS THAT EXIMBANK HAS ALREADY BEEN APPROACHED

BY ONE OR MORE US MANUFACTURERS. WE HOPE THAT FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION WILL BE GIVEN TO THIS IMPORTANT SALE.

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